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In the beginning of the week prices were higher on the larger sizes and unchanged on the mediums in most areas. During the week prices were unchanged in California and the Midwest. In other locations, prices were unchanged to sharply lower on all sizes. The market tone was weak. Demand slowed in some areas and ranged light to moderate. Supplies of all sizes were adequate to ample. Central States breaking stock prices were lower. Demand continued mostly fair as most breakers were not actively seeking additional heavy nest runs. Offerings were fully adequate for current needs. Floor stocks were in a full range from balanced to ample and continue to build. Trade sentiment steady to barely steady at the current quoted range. Demand was slow for light type hens for the at least ample offerings of spent fowl.

**PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.**

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
<b>NORTHEAST CITIES</b>			
Boston (Brown)	97-102	84-89	66-72
New York	59-61	56-59	39-42
Philadelphia	57-65	55-63	38-48
<b>SOUTHERN CITIES</b>			
Atlanta (1) (2)	58-59	56.5-58	39-40
Jackson (1)	68-69	65-66	48-49
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	65-78	62-76	45-59
<b>MIDWEST CITIES</b>			
Chicago	52-57	51-56	36-41
Detroit (2)	52-55	51-54	36-39
Major Ohio Cities (2)	53-59	52-57	37-43
Major Wisconsin Cities	56-63	54-61	40-47
<b>WESTERN CITIES</b>			
Houston (1)	73-77	68-72	51-54
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	93	85	75

(1) - Prices reported weekly  
(2) - Delivered Warehouse  
(3) - Reported Invoice prices

**SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 25-May-01**  
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	64.71	62.34	49.01
SOUTHERN	63.73	61.82	45.44
MIDWEST	55.33	54.10	40.78
WESTERN	85.98	79.61	68.55
TWELVE METRO AREAS	70.17	66.62	53.94

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	05-29-01	05-22-01	05-30-00
Large	34-36	33-35	23-25
Medium	19-21	19-21	20-22

**WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM May 28,2001**  
STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/  
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
		CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	9.2	16.7	7.8	11.4	54.1
	Change	0.9	2.6	1.5	0.3	12%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	29.9	46.4	14.8	27.9	139.5
	Change	2.6	14.0	1.3	5.7	21%
Large	Curr Wk	43.2	98.0	71.0	74.4	386.7
	Change	-1.1	10.7	-0.7	8.3	7%
Medium	Curr Wk	16.0	34.5	18.7	30.0	125.9
	Change	-1.2	4.8	2.6	6.8	16%
Small	Curr Wk	5.2	4.7	3.0	6.1	25.9
	Change	2.1	-1.2	1.3	2.9	38%
Misc	Curr Wk	5.6	16.8	3.2	9.7	40.4
	Change	1.1	-4.5	-0.2	-0.1	-8%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	21.9	55.8	17.7	23.9	152.0
	Change	-6.1	-7.8	-0.8	-0.8	-5%
Total	Curr Wk	131.0	272.9	136.2	183.4	924.5
Percent	Change	-1%	7%	4%	14%	8%
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>Number of Cases</b>		<b>Percent Change</b>	<b>Number of Cooperators</b>	

Shell Egg	924.5	8%	172
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	308.8	2%	38

Total Shell Egg 1233.3 6% 210

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 172 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.  
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No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION** W/E 05-26-01  
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,130,031	25,992	11,451	6,119	2,285	3,849
PW	1,167,435	26,823	11,667	6,310	2,359	4,100
LY	1,221,935	27,048	12,807	6,637	2,935	3,869
%PW	-3	-3	-2	-3	-3	-6
%LY	-8	-4	-11	-8	-22	-1
2001	23,469,229	531,797	239,211	129,959	50,406	84,064
2000	24,267,213	549,849	242,939	131,705	61,951	80,226

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
AVG YIELD/CASE-(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	41.96	41.89	41.21
AVG YIELD/CASE-(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	38.55	38.37	38.05

Effective May 9, we will report the average yield per case with the inedible excluded. It will run concurrently with the average yield per case with the inedible included. The average yield per case with inedible excluded is available for historical purposes. This information can be obtained from Amos Hardy, the National Statistical Officer, at 515-284-4471.

**FOUR ADDITIONAL STATES IN WEEKLY PROGRAM**

Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States are being published for the first time in the weekly program for broiler eggs set in incubators and broiler chicks placed for meat production. The four additional States are Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Data collection and weekly estimates began with the week ending April 7, 2001.

STATE	<u>Broiler Eggs Set in</u> 19 Selected States		<u>Broiler Chicks Placed</u> in 19 Selected States	
	May 19	May 26 Thousand	May 19	May 26
AL	*29,578	29,403	*21,153	21,631
AR	30,645	30,896	24,859	24,501
DE	*3,652	3,680	*4,428	3,859
FL	2,399	2,392	2,390	2,195
GA	32,207	32,566	*26,137	25,373
MD	8,532	8,864	*6,315	6,583
MS	19,140	19,236	*15,145	15,545
NC	18,000	17,786	14,892	14,636
PA	3,824	3,795	2,655	2,836
SC	5,023	4,974	3,967	4,242
TX	15,307	15,303	12,181	12,131
VA	6,637	6,632	5,031	5,530
CA, TN, & WV	*11,583	11,435	*9,874	10,508
<b>15 State Total</b>	<b>*186,527</b>	<b>186,962</b>	<b>*149,027</b>	<b>149,570</b>
Previous Year	186,522	185,414	149,857	148,402
Pct. of Prev.	100	101	99	101
KY	*5,270	5,117	*4,223	4,129
OK	6,358	6,257	4,779	4,408
LA & MO	9,300	9,389	8,491	8,731
<b>19 State Total</b>	<b>*207,455</b>	<b>207,725</b>	<b>*166,520</b>	<b>166,838</b>

\* Revised

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 07-Jul-01 IS ESTIMATED AT 154.4 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 155.0 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 158.7 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 167.0 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 57.33 CENTS PER POUND.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES**-WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES  
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 05/24/01-05/30/01

CURRENT LDS 94.25		FUTURE LDS 63.50		TOTAL LDS 157.75	
SE		NE		MW	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	35.00	40.40	37.07	38.00	27.13 29.00 46.00
GNR W 2	—	37.00	32.00	—	40.00 — 6.00
GL W XL	—	—	46.00	48.00	33.00 — 17.75
GL W LG	—	—	45.00	37.00	28.59 46.00 10.75
GL W MD	—	—	21.42	24.03	— — 9.75
NRBS - 50	—	—	—	—	22.00 24.50 4.00
NRBS - 48	—	23.50	23.00	24.00	22.77 23.38 26.25
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	21.67 23.50 3.00
NRBS - 39	—	—	8.00	—	— 12.86 9.25

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS** W/E 26-May-01

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW	PCT CHG	
			PW	LY
ATLANTA	22.7	25.0	-9	42
BOSTON	3.4	3.7	-8	-19
CHICAGO	39.1	39.7	-2	-6
DETROIT	33.1	32.0	3	30
KANSAS CITY	3.8	4.2	-10	52
LOS ANGELES	111.1	106.9	4	16
NEW ORLEANS	11.2	8.2	37	-2
NEW YORK	37.9	35.6	6	-11
ST. LOUIS	18.0	18.7	-4	44
SAN FRANCISCO	20.2	19.7	3	-5
TOTAL	300.5	293.7	2	10
4 WK MVG AVG	298.2			

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED** WEEK ENDING 26-May-2001  
YOUNG OLD TOTAL  
HENS TOMS BREEDERS

	-----THOUSANDS-----			
HEAD	1,999	2,586	42	6 4,633
AVG WT	16.31	35.38	24.47	30.57 27.04
LAST WEEK	2,067	2,689	50	0 4,806
SAME WK YR AGO	5,141 (A)		3	14 5,158
AVG WT	25.86 (A)		28.00	25.43 25.86
TO-DATE/2001	96,588 (A)		817	277 97,682
TO-DATE/2000	96,619 (A)		328	782 97,729

(A) Comparable data not available for last year, this data is comprised of hens and toms.

**NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS**

BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 26-May-2001  
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

	—YOUNG TURKEYS—		OLD BANDED	TOTAL TURKEYS	
	THOUSAND	% CHG		AVG	AVG
	HEAD	PW	LIVE WT-THOUSAND	HEAD-	LIVE WT
N EAST	730	3	22.73	(A)	731 22.73
S ATL	772	-10	28.05	(A)	773 28.05
N CENT	2,144	-5	29.64	(A)	2,146 29.64
S CENT	449	-26	22.56	(A)	450 22.56
WEST	532	41	24.83	(A)	533 24.83
U.S.TOTAL	4,627 (B)	-4	27.04	6	4,633 27.04
TO DATE					
2001	97,405 (B)			277	97,682
TO DATE					
2000	96,947 (B)			782	97,729

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 42,000; for the year 817,000; last year to date 328,000.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

WEEK ENDING 26-May 2001 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	160,883(A)	1,595	1,568	3,163	570
AVG WT	5.02	3.16	8.33	5.72	6.57
LAST WEEK	160,375	1,602	1,460	3,062	487
SAME WK YR AGO	158,730	2,077	1,553	3,630	456
AVG WT	4.94	3.36	7.75	5.24	6.62
TO-DATE/2001	3,187,013	38,031	28,304	66,335	10,609
TO-DATE/2000	3,236,472	42,724	29,084	71,808	9,440

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 157.9 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 162.8 million head or 5.4 million head more than or 103 percent of estimated fryers available.

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 02-Jun-01

	CURRENT WEEK 06/02/01(1)	PREVIOUS WEEK 05/26/01
	-----THOUSAND HEAD-----	
CLASS		
BRO-FRY	149,773(2)	163,250
LT HENS	1,423	1,660
HVY HENS	1,256	1,606
CHECK TOTAL	152,452	166,516

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 02-Jun-01 is 156.7 million head compared to 145.3 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 150.1 million head or 6.6 million less than estimated available. For week of 09-Jun-01 the estimated available is 156.9 million head.

**ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.**

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
APRIL	21 153.1	153.5	100	5.11
	28 158.8	156.2	102	5.00
MAY	5 158.9	158.5	100	5.02
	12 159.9	159.1	101	5.20
	19 162.3	157.9	103	5.16
	26 162.8	157.4	103	5.02
YEAR TO DATE	3,225.7	3196.1	101	
JUNE	2 156.7			
	9 156.9			

**12-CITY COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS**

	Change from		
28-May-01	21-May-01	21-May-01	29-May-00
59.47	-0.10	59.57	56.33
NUMBER OF LOADS	607		

**MONTHLY 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE FOR R.T.C. BROILER/FRYERS**

MONTH	WEIGHTED AVERAGE	LOADS
MAY	59.40	2,657.20

**READY-TO-COOK POULTRY BROILER/FRYERS**

FINAL REPORT OF PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR TRUCKLOT SALES OF READY-TO-COOK ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED B/F TO BE DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS WEEK OF 05/28-06/02/01.

05/28-06/02/01.		U.S. GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	50.00-55.00	54.03	46	56.28	77
Los Angeles	68.00	65.67	67	63.39	156
New York	53.00-55.00	54.13	23	57.05	52

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>				
EASTERN REGION 3/	65-67	66	66.00	40
CENTRAL REGION 4/	63-65	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	65	-	-	-

**16-24 LB TOMS**

EASTERN REGION	60-62	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	59-61	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	60-62	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F.

2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting.

4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting.

5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -**

SELECTED STGE CENTERS

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 28-May-01	4,222	153,888	61,981
AM 1-May-01	3,238	143,310	63,064
CHG	984	10,578	-1,083
PCT CHG	30	7	-2
CK TTL	8,474	307,783	126,130

**HEN MARKETS** Final Price, Cents Per Pound, Generally for slaughter the week of **05/28/01**.

**HEAVY TYPE CENTS/LB.**

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
Southeast	6.75-10.5(1)	8-9.75	8.75
Southeast	TFEWR(2)(3)		
South Central	7-11(1)	8-9	8.65

**05/25/01 LIGHT TYPE**

Cents Per Pound, Day of Negotiation, Generally for slaughter within the next 10 days.

Eastern 0-0(1)

Eastern 0-0(2)

So. Central TFEWR(2)

No. Central TFEWR(1)

No. Central 0(2)

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

(3) FOB Plant

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT**

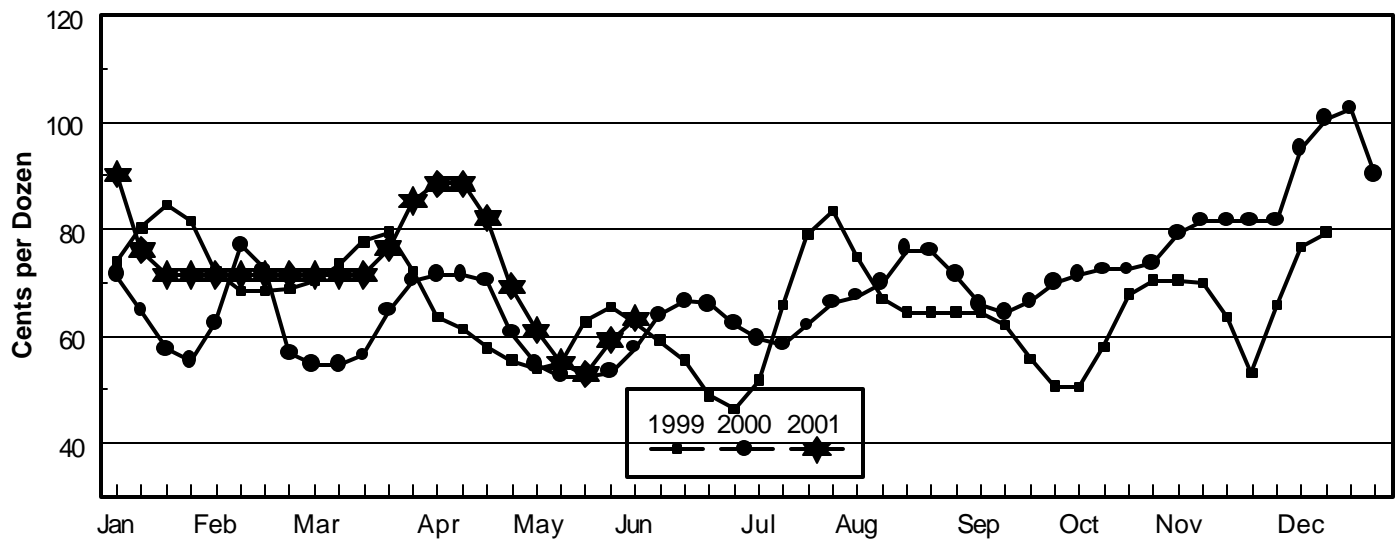
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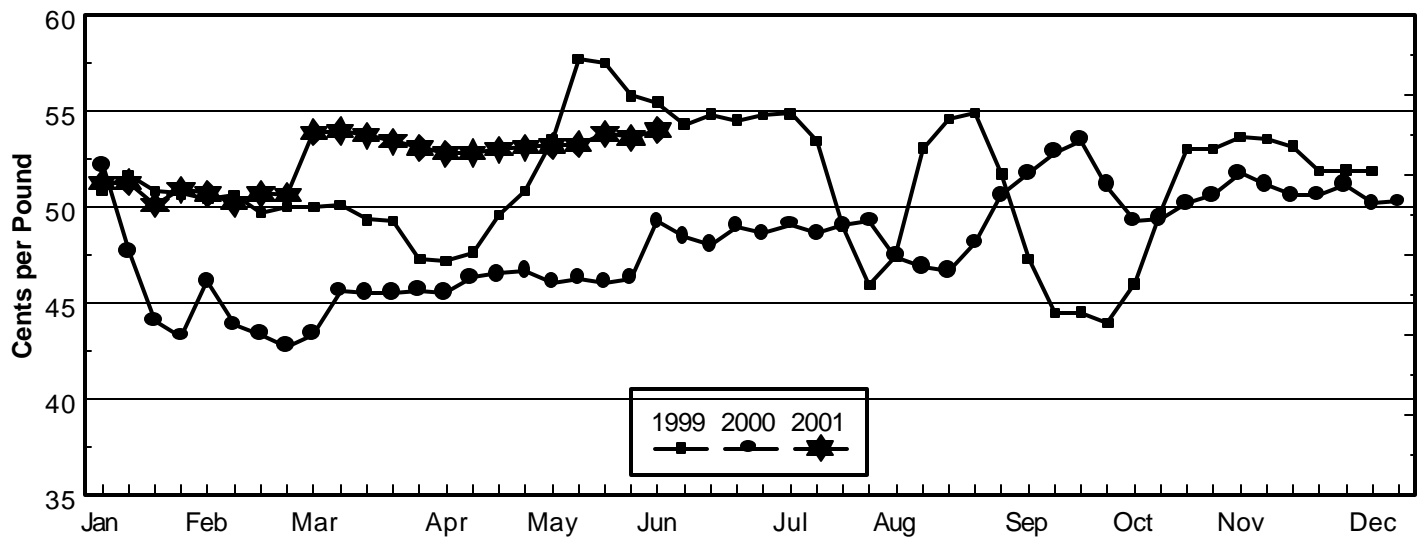
REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	216.1	-4	-2
E.N. CENTRAL	509.8	1	3
W.N. CENTRAL	269.5	-4	4
S. ATLANTIC	172.8	0	-4
S. CENTRAL	77.4	0	12
WEST	195.4	-7	4
TOTAL	1,441.0	-2	2

MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING 90 90

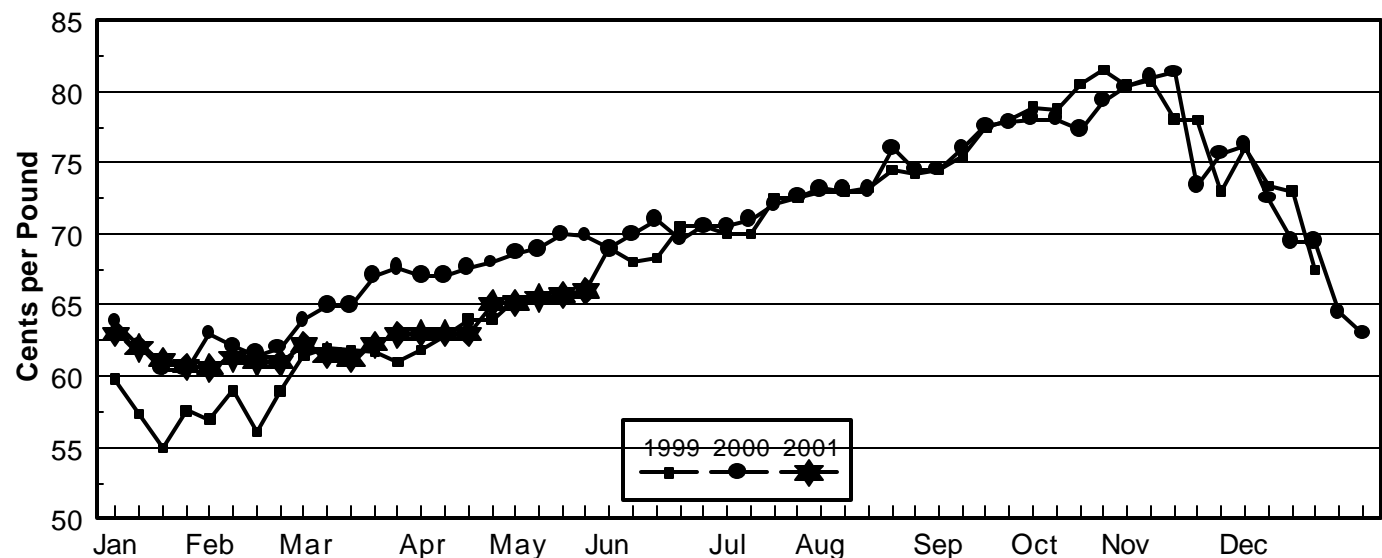
New York Large Egg Weekly Average Price 1999, 2000, 2001



Chicago Broiler/Fryer Final Weighted Average Prices, US Grade A, 1999, 2000, 2001



Eastern Region Weekly Average Prices for 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys 1999, 2000, 2001



Note: Some weeks' averages are based on offers only.

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